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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR QUANITATION OF VIRAL LOAD USING

**MICROARRAYS** 

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, DC 20231

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2001, Applicant submits the following:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please insert the following statement prior the Field of the Invention, -- Related Application, This application is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/253,791 of Sandeep Gulati entitled "Method and Apparatus for Exponentially Convergent Therapy Effectiveness Monitoring Using DNA Microarray Based Viral Load Measurements" filed February 22, 1999 --.